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UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT  
NORTHERN DISTRICT OF CALIFORNIA  
SAN FRANCISCO DIVISION

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA,	)	CR No. 07-70173-JCS
	)	
Plaintiff,	)	STIPULATION AND [PROPOSED] ORDER
	)	EXTENDING THE TIME LIMIT FOR THE
v.	)	PRELIMINARY HEARING AND
	)	EXCLUDING TIME
CHARKON CHANSAEM,	)	
	)	
Defendant.	)	
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On March 23, 2007, based on a criminal complaint presented by Immigration and Customs Enforcement Special Agent Brian Kawabata, the Honorable Joseph C. Spero issued an arrest warrant for the Defendant. On March 26, 2007, the Court held an Initial Appearance and set the matter for further proceedings on March 29, 2007. On March 29, 2007, the parties stipulated, and the Court ordered that the Preliminary Hearing should be scheduled for April 20, 2007 and that time should be excluded from the Speedy Trial Act calculations from March 29, 2007 to April 20, 2007. On April 12, 2007, the Hon. Joseph C. Spero signed an order to that effect. On April 17, 2007, upon filing of a Joint Stipulation, the Hon. Edward M. Chen signed an order continuing the Preliminary hearing from April 20, 2007 to May 9, 2007 and excluding such

1 time from the Speedy Trial Act calculations.

2 Counsel for the Government and Defendant are currently discussing a pre-indictment  
3 resolution of this case. Counsel for the Government has also learned that the case agent is  
4 scheduled to testify in an out of district trial the week of May 7, 2007 and will therefore be  
5 unavailable to for the rescheduled Preliminary Hearing on May 9, 2007. Moreover, defense  
6 counsel is still reviewing discovery that has been made available by the United States; is  
7 obtaining discovery from his client which requires the assistance of a Thai interpreter and travel  
8 to a remote facility; is facilitating communications with the Thai consulate on behalf of his  
9 client; will be out of the office for a training seminar during the final week of May; and does not  
10 believe it is in his client's best interest for the Court to hold a Preliminary Hearing within 10 days  
11 of the Initial Appearance as required by Federal Rule of Criminal Procedure 5.1(c). The parties  
12 represent that granting of the continuance is necessary in so far as it would be impossible to hold  
13 the preliminary proceedings without the case agent; for effective preparation of counsel; and for  
14 continuity of counsel. See 18 U.S.C. § 3161(h)(8)(B)(i)(iv).

15 Accordingly, the parties have agreed as follows:

- 16 1. The Preliminary Hearing shall be removed from the May 9, 2007 calendar and be  
17 continued until June 6, 2007.
- 18 2. The Defendant agrees to an exclusion of time under the Speedy Trial Act. Failure to  
19 grant the requested continuance would make it impossible to proceed with the  
20 Preliminary Hearing insofar as the case agent would not be present to testify and would  
21 deny the Defendant effective preparation and continuity of counsel.
- 22 3. Given these circumstances, the parties agree and the Court should find that the ends of  
23 justice are served by excluding the period from May 9, 2007 through June 6, 2007 from  
24 the Speedy Trial Act calculation and outweigh the best interest of the public and the  
25 Defendant in a speedy trial. Id. § 3161(h)(8)(A).

1 IT IS SO STIPULATED.

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3 DATED: May 3, 2007

/s/  
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DENISE MARIE BARTON  
Assistant United States Attorney

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6 DATED: May 3, 2007

/s/  
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STEVEN J. KOENINGER  
Attorney for CHARKON CHANSAEM

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11 **IT IS SO ORDERED.**

12 Pursuant to the parties' Stipulation and for the reasons set forth above, the Preliminary  
13 Hearing shall be removed from the May 9, 2007 calendar and continued until June 6, 2007 and  
14 the time from May 9, 2007 to June 6, 2007 shall be excluded from the Speedy Trial Act  
15 calculations.

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18 DATED: \_\_\_\_\_

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Honorable Elizabeth D. Laporte  
United States Magistrate Judge